

Auditor's Office
Jefferson, Iowa
December 27, 2017

Greene County Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 a.m. in the courthouse boardroom with all supervisors present: Bardole, Burkett, Contner, Muir, Rudolph. Motion by Contner, second by Rudolph to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bardole, second by Burkett to approve the minutes of December 18, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair John Muir reported all supervisors had attended the conference board meeting last week at which Adam Smith was appointed county assessor. Supervisor Dawn Rudolph reported on an animal shelter committee meeting noting that assistant county attorney Thomas Laehn is reviewing a proposed 28E agreement for all towns that wish to participate in an agreement after a shelter is built.

Real estate coordinator Pam Olerich shared the county's January 1, 2017 taxable valuations that are to be used in the upcoming FY2018/2019 tax levies for budgets. Olerich noted that the county's rural valuation for computing taxes levied increased by just .03%, while the urban valuation increased by 4.67%. Combined valuation for the county reflects a 1.29% increase.

Recorder Marcia Tasler questioned the board as to its plans to continue with a records preservation project for auditor and recorder historical books. Tasler was told the board does plan to proceed with funding the estimated \$100,000 project in some manner. Grant funding may be sought to help fund the project.

Chuck Wenthold, safety coordinator, discussed the courthouse security supervisory order from Chief Justice Cady shared by ISAC. Per ISAC, the new order gives county boards of supervisors the ability, upon written request to the chief judge of the judicial district, to regulate weapons "in public areas on those floors of a courthouse not totally occupied by the court system." Wenthold then reported on last week's board of adjustment meeting regarding the latest proposed wind turbines by MidAmerican Energy. Conditional use permits were approved for the turbines.

Virginia Griesheimer, interim director for ACCESS (Assault Care Center Extending Shelter & Support), presented general information to the board about the various ACCESS services available to individuals in Greene County. Griesheimer provided statistics from last year noting the agency had served 39 individuals with more than 300 hours of service. The funding request for ACCESS in FY19 is \$5,000. Current funding totals \$4,500. No action was taken.

Carole Custer and Bob Schwarzkopf were present to share the 2017 Bell Tower Community Foundation report and the FY19 funding request. Installation and dedication of the remaining bells was the highlight of the year. Custer noted that attendance in the tower increased nearly 1,000 from 2016, while bus tours and group visits also noticeably increased. Plans to improve the current elevator were also mentioned, with the foundation committing a \$25,000 donation toward the project. Custer requested no increase to the county's operational funding support of \$7,500 for FY19. No action was taken.

Michael Reese, Tourism & Events coordinator for Greene County Chamber & Tourism, Mike Holden board member, and Ora Stevens, board president, were present for the Bell Tower Festival funding request. Reese gave a power point presentation and shared information about changes that have been made at the Chamber. Reese requested \$8,500 for Bell Tower festival, Tourism, and Home Base Iowa. The board funded the Bell Tower festival (only) at \$4,000 for the current fiscal year. No financial information was provided but the board was told it would receive financials sometime within the next month. No action was taken.

Rick Hunsaker next went over FY19 funding requests for Region XII Council of Governments (COG). COG membership dues will increase to \$8,029 for Greene County, up one cent per capita. Western Iowa Transit (WIT), the public transit arm of the COG requests funding at a per capita rate of \$.50 (up from \$.48) for a total of \$4,668. WIT also requests an increase from the current \$.02/mile to \$.03/mile for capital match requirements. The total dollar estimate is estimated to be \$810 for mileage. Finally, the COG requests \$5,000 to match the annual grant administered in the COG Local Housing Trust Fund through COG Housing, Inc. Hunsaker summarized the FY19 asking for Region XII COG at \$17,697 plus \$.03mile for capital match. No action was taken.

A written funding request of \$400 from Central Iowa Tourism was shared with the board. The amount has not changed for many years. No action was taken.

Motion by Burkett, second by Rudolph to adopt Resolution 2017-42:

CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Iowa Code section 459.304(3) sets out the procedure if a board of supervisors wishes to adopt a "construction evaluation resolution" relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution can submit to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) an adopted recommendation to approve or disapprove a construction permit application regarding a proposed confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS only counties that have adopted a construction evaluation resolution and submitted an adopted recommendation may contest the DNR's decision regarding a specific application; and

WHEREAS by adopting a construction evaluation resolution the board of supervisors agrees to evaluate every construction permit application for a proposed confinement feeding operation structure received by the board of supervisors between February 1, 2018 and January 31, 2019 and submit an adopted recommendation regarding that application to the DNR; and

WHEREAS the board of supervisors must conduct an evaluation of every construction permit application using the master matrix created in Iowa Code section 459.305, but the board's recommendation to the DNR may be based on the final score on the master matrix or may be based on reasons other than the final score on the master matrix;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Greene County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this construction evaluation resolution pursuant to Iowa Code section 459.304(3).

Roll Call: Aye: Bardole, Burkett, Contner, Muir, Rudolph. Resolution carried unanimously.

Motion by Bardole, second by Rudolph to approve the completed FY2017 Cost Allocation Plan (to be used for indirect cost recoveries during FY19 for DHS administrative expenses). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Contner, second by Burkett to approve claims for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed health insurance and changes until Chair Muir adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

John J. Muir, Chair BOS

ATTEST: Jane Heun, Auditor